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To the Honorable Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States:

MAY IT PLEASE THE COURT:

The State of Mississippi, an intervening defendant in this cause, presents this, its reply, to the petition filed by the State of Illinois requesting a temporary modification of the decree of this Court entered on April 21,

1930, which prohibits the diversion of water from the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Watershed into the Mississippi River by way of the Illinois Waterway in excess of 1500 cubic feet per second, in addition to domestic pumpage, by the State of Illinois or the Sanitary District of Chicago.

The State of Mississippi recognizes the existence of the emergency conditions on the Mississippi River as are set forth in the petition made by the State of Illinois and avers that the conditions described in the said petition have seriously impaired the navigation and water transportation among Mississippi ports located on the Mississippi River, and has done so to the irreparable damage of the State of Mississippi and its citizens.

The State of Mississippi, therefore, respectfully concurs in the petition heretofore filed by the State of Illinois for a temporary modification of the decree of this Court of April 21, 1930 in order to relieve the critical shortage of water which now exists in the Mississippi River.

Respectfully submitted,

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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HINDS

This day personally appeared before me, the undersigned Secretary of State of the State of Mississippi, Joe T. Patterson, who after being by me first duly sworn, states on oath that he is the duly elected, qualified and acting Attorney General of the State of Mississippi, that he has read the foregoing reply and that the things and matters therein set forth are true and correct as stated, and that true copies of the foregoing reply have this day been duly mailed to counsel for all parties to this proceeding.

Joe T. Patterson, Attorney General
of the State of Mississippi

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 8th day of December, 1956.

Heber Ladner, Secretary of State
of the State of Mississippi

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My commission expires January, 1960.